

Amendments to House Bill No. 808
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Requested by Representative Edith Clark

For the House Appropriations Committee

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1. Page 21, line 19.
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
2. Page 21, line 22.
Following: "hour,"
Insert: "and related benefits,"
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
3. Page 21, line 23.
Following: "worker wage"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
4. Page 24, line 7.
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
5. Page 24, line 10.
Following: "hour,"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
6. Page 24, line 11.
Following: "worker wage"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
7. Page 24, line 21.
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
8. Page 24, line 24.
Following: "hour,"
Insert: "and related benefits,"
Following: "wages"
Insert: ", and related benefits,"
9. Page 24, line 25.
Following: "worker wage"

Insert: ", and related benefits,"

10. Page 25, following line 9.

Insert: "County Nursing Home Intergovernmental Transfer may be used only to make one-time payments to nursing homes based on the number of medicaid services provided. The office of budget and program planning must review the conditions applied to IGT Offset prior to allowing funds to be expended from the County Nursing Home Intergovernmental Transfer."

11. Page 26, line 27.

Following: "wages"

Insert: ", and related benefits,"

12. Page 26, line 2.

Following: "raise"

Strike: the remainder of line 2 through workers on line 3

Insert: "Funds in Direct Care Worker Wage Increase must be used first to raise the certified nurse aide and personal care attendant direct care worker wages and benefits to \$8.50 an hour, including related benefits. Any remaining funds may be used only to raise wages, and related benefits, up to \$0.70 an hour for direct care workers and other low-paid staff."

13. Page 26, line 4.

Following: "worker wage"

Insert: ", related benefits,"

14. Page 26, line 14.

Following: "wages"

Insert: ", related benefits,"

15. Page 26, line 17.

Following: "hour,"

Insert: "related benefits,"

Following: "wages"

Insert: ", related benefits,"

16. Page 26, line 18.

Following: "worker wage"

Insert: ", related benefits,"

- END -

Explanation - This amendment addresses the concern expressed during public testimony that the funds appropriated for direct care worker wage increases should specify that the funds can be used for wage increases that include related benefits. The amendment also adds language regarding the county nursing home intergovernmental transfer that was inadvertently omitted.